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In a letter to Mr. J. Newton, secretary
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Cleaver, S. P. G. Missionary, at Accra,
Gold Coast, West Africa, states that he
recently attended, as chaplain, two ex-
ecutions for murder committed under
the influence of drink. He adds: "One
day in July I went to the Customs Ware-
houses in Seveconia to find one case of
Bibles that had arrived for me, and to
"clear" it through the customs. One of
the officials in charge jokingly said he
hoped I should soon find my case—but
as there were 10,000 cases of gin and
some hundreds of cases of whisky being
dealt with just then, he thought I might
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be necessary in many of the frames for
the underbody. Moreover, eighteen tons
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The changes will cause three weeks'
delay in construction of the vessel.
The confusion is the result of a mis-
understanding as to which of the several
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carriages embodying many of the recom-
mendations which were made by Major
Pringle, the Board of Trade inspector, in
his report on the Algill disaster, and a
train of the new carriages was made up on
Christmas Eve at Manchester, and dis-
patched to Southampton at 5 p.m. The
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age of 19 many years before, and she de-
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died. The doctor caused inquiries to be
made, and found that a house in Slen en-
tered exactly to the description, although
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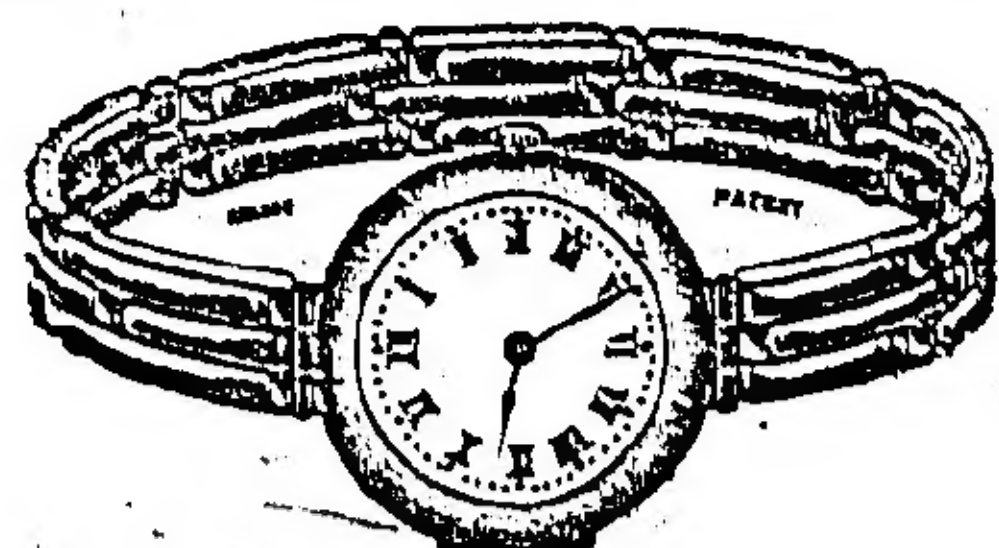
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12—Life & Annuity Funds	16,238,160
13—Sinking Fund Account	88,512
	£22,561,286
Revenue Fire Branch	2,567,158
Life and Annuity Branches	1,973,593
Revenue Marine Department	263,692
Other Receipts	420,193
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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

EDINBURGH, December 21.

CHRISTMAS IN SCOTLAND.

This year, as never before, Scotland shook itself free from the isolation of centuries, and joined in the well-known universal chorus of "peals and hymns and spiritual songs" which centre the world upon every 25th of December. So great has been the change in our attitude to Christmas, and so quickly has it come about, that it is already difficult to realize that a very few years ago Presbyterian Scotland refused to go on any pilgrimage to the manger at Bethlehem. While the rest of the Christian world wrestled its face in smiles and listened to the song of peace, Scotland stood apart, thanking its God that it knew Christmas better than to rejoice over the child's spirit. "If you, mortals, make you dreary, depend upon it, they are wrong," said Louis Stevenson, and its form of Christianity certainly made Scotland dreary.

Christmas as we now know it in the North, as we have had warning of it for several weeks past, is essentially modern. It might be said that Christmas began to challenge New Year's pre-eminence about thirty years ago, and then only among the middle and upper middle classes. For the next ten years or so it made an uphill fight of it. Even after Christmas got on terms with New Year, the smaller shopkeepers, when the 25th of December had passed, cheerfully and hopefully exchanged his "Christmas Present" window tickets for "New Year Gifts." Nowadays his larvae is reaped at Christmas, and except in country districts and among the people who prefer the old ways, New Year gifts are bought chiefly to repair omissions on this earlier date. Like the turkey, which is one of the most genial symbols, Christmas has permeated downwards in Scotland. It used to be fashionable, now it is democratic and universal. Our Presbyterian Churches were late in opening their doors on Christmas Day; but now in the cities at least, most of them recognise the religious aspect of Christmas on the day itself.

The New Year is still the industrial holiday with us, but the general tendency is all in the direction of lengthening the Christmas season. And it is to be expected that it away from home is certainly not decreasing. There are many people who go away from Christmas for the same reason that they go away at the Spring and Autumn Holidays and for the longest possible period of summer. But the rush to other people's houses, to hotels and hydro-paths, and the throng of professional entertainers to teach people how to amuse themselves—must be referred partly to a misconception regarding the nature and proper function of a family gathering. The ideal family gathering is a reunion of relatives who do not see one another sufficiently often throughout the year to have a kind of compensating one another's virtues and to have become a little impatient of one another's foibles. But the family gathering of people who actually live under the same roof throughout the year was more than many young people could endure with equanimity, especially during and after an unusually heavy meal. Thus it has come about that many desert their homes at Christmas; and many who remain have the tact to leave the family gathering with a few desirable aliens, whose invitation derives from mixed motives of hospitality and self-protection.

SCOTTISH FARMER'S ESTATE.

Early next year, the greater part of Lord Kintore's estate will be offered for sale by auction. The properties, which have been in the family for generations, possess many historical associations, and extend to about 20,000 acres, producing an income of over £23,000 per annum. The northern estates, which lie about ten miles north of Aberdeen, and surround the towns of Inverurie and Kintore, include the historic mansion of Keith Hall, as well as Balbathan House and Torryburn; with their shoddy and fishings in the river Don. The southern estates, which are situated to the main road from Aberdeen and Montrose, extend to some 7000 acres.

On Christmas Day, it was announced that a Baronetage of the United Kingdom had been conferred on Major-General John William Campbell, O.B., of Ardnachan. He already holds a Scottish Baronetcy of Nova Scotia, an order instituted in 1024 by James I. and VI., with a view to colonizing the "Plantation," as it was then called. Major-General Campbell was born in 1838, served at the siege of Sebastopol,

took part in the China campaign of 1860, the Afghan War of 1878-80, and the Zulu Valley Expedition of 1884.

C. F. MISSIONARY FOR MANCHURIA.

The Foreign Mission Committee of the Unit & Free Church have appointed Mr. John Stewart, M. A., to Manchuria. He is a son of the Rev. J. S. Stewart, of Aberdeen. Educated in Aberdeen, he graduated in 1903, attended the Aberdeen College for his theological course, and was licensed by the Presbytery of Aberdeen in 1913. Mr. Stewart has had considerable experience in Christian work, having been largely occupied with the student movement. He is at present gaining administrative experience as the secretary of the Mission Study Council, and is specially qualified for work among students.

MODERN WARFARE.

It is a rule no just issued. "A Captain of the Gordon's" the late Captain Douglas S. Miller, of the Gordon Highlanders, gives many graphic pictures in letters to his friends at home of his experience in the Boer war and the Somaliland Campaign. Probably the average civilian has little conception of what the life of an infantry soldier is like when facing the enemy when he does not know where he is, at a twentieth century battlefield. This is how Captain Miller describes the scene in one of his letters—"It would be hard for you to describe a battle—there is so little to describe. The infantry soldier sees nothing except the men on either side of him and the ground in front. He hears the crackle of the enemy's fire—somewhere—he does not know where—he hears the whistling of the bullets, and every now and then he knows vaguely someone near him is hit—he feels the smell of the powder (cordite), and hot oily smell of his rifle. He fires at the range given, and at the given direction, and every now and then he hears 'Adios' and he goes up and goes on, and wonders why he is not hit as he stands up. That is all. Then the bullets cease to come, and the action is over, and the company get 'On the right (or centre), close!' and he marches to the chosen camping ground. He perhaps goes on picket—very tired and dirty—and he does it all again next day. That is the infantry soldier's battle—very nasty—very thing—very great—very hungry—very thirsty—everything very badly. No glitters—no excitement—no nothing. Just bullets and dirt. It is a rotten game for Private T. Atkins of the Infantry of the Line. They have been at it here for nearly two years off and on. They are not praised but asked if they make mistakes. They bury their friends, and see them dumped into a big hole rolled in a blanket, and they wait wearily for the end. But they go on doing it all right. That is war—dirty, weariness, death, disease, bullets."

A lecturer at Lanchester this week told a good story of Father Murphy, Aberdeen. He was on exceedingly intimate terms with a Congregational minister in that city, and the two meeting in Union Street one morning, the Congregational minister said, "No doubt you were telling your people yesterday about the good qualities of the Virgin Mary." Father Murphy "Yes, I was." Congregationalist—"I think my own mother was just as good a woman as the Virgin Mary." Father Murphy—"That may be, but you must admit there is a mighty difference in the souls."

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MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Secretary.

Hongkong, Jan. 13, 1914.

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A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co. Ltd. General Agents for the West Point Building Co. Ltd. Hongkong, Jan. 13, 1914.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this COMPANY will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Company Limited on WEDNESDAY the 28th January 1914 at noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1913.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY 20th to WEDNESDAY 23rd January 1914 (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, Jan. 13, 1914.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, Limited will be held at the premises of that Company, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY the 28th day of January, 1914, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the subject of Resolution (which was proposed at and submitted to the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 25th October, 1913 and which was passed at the Poll taken at a meeting on 19th January, 1914) will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution:—

That the following new Article be inserted in the Company's Articles of Association after Article 10 thereof:— "10A. The Company shall pay dividend, in respect of any dividend or new shares of the Company, in proportion to the amount paid up, on each share, or on some larger amount, in paid up on some shares than on others."

Dated this 12th day of January, 1914.

By order of the Board of Directors

J. H. TAGGART, Acting Secretary.

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8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.	Every 10 minutes
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	Every 15 minutes
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
12.00 p.m. to 1.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
1.00 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
3.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m.	Every 10 minutes

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes
10.30 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.	Every 10 minutes
12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.	Every 15 minutes
12.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	Every 15 minutes
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MARINE OFFICERS' PAY.

With the advent of the New Year
increases have been made in the pay of
several large firms sailing out of the
principal ports. Foremost amongst those
may be mentioned a very substantial
increase in the pay of the officers of the
Canadian Pacific Railway Company's
fleet sailing from London, Liverpool,
Ayr, and Antwerp. Through these
increases, of which the Imperial
Maritime Service Guild have been informed,
Officers in this fleet will be, for the class
of vessel, amongst the highest paid in
the Atlantic service. It may also be
mentioned that these increases of pay
will similarly benefit the Officers serving
in the Company's steamers trading be-
tween Mediterranean Ports and Canada.
The pay of the Captains and Officers in
the Pacific Service of the Canadian Pacific
Railway was also recently increased by
a substantial amount. In addition to
these improvements for officers in the
Atlantic Service, a subsistence allowance
whilst ships are in home ports has been
granted as well as an annual bonus,
three weeks' holiday on full pay each
year, and a special allowance will be
made by the Company to Royal Naval
Reserve Officers whilst serving in His
Majesty's ships.

The Imperial Maritime Service Guild
are informed that Messrs. Eldor, Dumpter
and Company have, from the 1st
instant, inaugurated a new pension
scheme which applies to all members
of the staff including Captains, Officers,
Engineers, and others serving in the com-
pany at home and abroad. Out of the
estate of Sir Alfred Jones the sum of
£20,450 has been contributed whilst a
further sum of £20,000 will be contribut-
ed out of the Annuity Fund under Sir
Alfred Jones' will and the sum of £15,500
has been contributed by the Company.
Every member in the service of the Com-
pany from the 1st January 1914 will
contribute a percentage of salary or pay
for the time being to the fund. The
retiring age is 65 years for other than
members serving on the West Coast
Staff, where the age is reduced by ten
years. Provision has been made for
those who have already served in the
company and are over the age limit for
joining the scheme which in future will
be limited to the age of 40. In the
event of any person retiring from the
company's service on the ground of ill-
health, if of the age of 50 or upwards
provision is made for a reduced super-
annuation allowance.

The Guild also learn that increases
have been made in the pay and improve-
ments in the conditions of service of
Officers and officers serving in the South
Eastern and Chatham Railway Company
who own some 17 mail, passenger, and
cargo steamers running between Dover,
Calais, Folkestone and Boulogne.
Messrs. Holder Bros. and Company,
of New Year's Day, raised the pay of
their Officers and in addition thereto made
arrangements to supply bed and bedding.
The Anglo Saxon Petroleum Company
who own a fleet of 42 steamers have ac-
cording to information which has reached
the Guild arranged in future to pay
bonuses to their chief and second officers
whilst an increase has been made in the
pay of third officers. With the addition
of the bonuses the Officers serving in
the Anglo Saxon Petroleum Company
will be amongst the highest paid Officers
serving in oil tank steamers.

The Guild have been informed that
the London and North Western Railway
Company have made substantial increases
in the pay of their junior captains and
officers serving in the mail, passenger,
and cargo steamers running between
Holyhead and Kingstown, Holyhead and
Dublin, and Holyhead and Greenock.
These increases will affect the captains
and officers in some sixteen vessels. In
addition to the increased salary, arrange-
ments have been made for Captains,
Officers, and Engineers to be paid over-
time whilst ships are in commission.
Special bonuses are also made to chief
officers when acting in command whilst
officers and engineers will be granted
fourteen days' leave during the summer
months and arrangements will be made
to grant holidays to officers at Easter and
Christmas.

Another firm which has recently in-
creased the pay of their Captains and
Officers is the firm of Messrs. J. P.
Cory and Co., managing owners of the
Star Line Ltd. of London, whose fleet
of steamers trades between London, Aus-
tralia, New Zealand and the River Plate
ports.

The Guild also learn from several
sources that increases in the pay of
Captains and Officers will be made in
other large steamship lines in the near
future which, when the details have been
settled, will be made retrospective as
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SHIPPING GAZETTE.

(From "Shipping and Engineering.")

Mr. E. B. Jones, chief officer, Shantien,
is on leave.
Mr. H. Somme, from reserve, has gone
chief officer, Shantien.
Captain W. Bonson, of the Liangchow,
is on leave.

Captain T. Pickard, of the Ningpo, has
gone master, Liangchow.
Mr. T. Hinde, chief officer, Kwangchi,
has gone chief officer, Yushu.

Mr. T. Masley, chief officer, Yushu,
has gone chief officer, Kwangchi.
Mr. E. Parks, second engineer, Poochi,
has gone second engineer, Hsuan.

Mr. A. R. McMillan, awaiting orders,
has gone third engineer, Poochi.
Mr. J. Shariff, third engineer, Poochi,
has gone acting second engineer, same ship.

From the "Union."
Captain W. Bryner of the Hanning, is
on leave.

Mr. W. Henderson, chief officer, Han-
ping, has gone acting master, same ship.
Mr. E. L. has been appointed chief
officer, Hanning.

A SEARCHLIGHT RIFLE.

A new device for night-firing has been
brought out in Germany, which, if it is
ever developed on the large scale, may be
expected to revolutionise our present
tactics. It consists of an electric torch-
fixed (says the Army and Navy Gazette)
to the barrel of a rifle, which shines as
to throw a narrow pencil of intense light
to the front. The soldier has only to throw
the disc of light steady on his opponent
while he presses the trigger, and the
bullet should strike the mark. The
range of the light is limited by the weight
of the accumulator which can be car-
ried on the weapon; thus it is stated that
an electric torch weighing 7 ozs. is effective
at forty yards. This difficulty has so far
restricted the application of the device to
pistols. Now a pistol which shows ac-
curately at forty yards on a dark night is
already a useful weapon to possess; but
why should we not have a rifle with search-
light effective at 500 yards? We may con-
ceive a section of riflemen holding a trench
by night, provided with a large accumulator
transported on a mule or hand-cart, and
with all their rifles connected to it by a
flexible cable. This is a vision of the
future, but the idea has undoubted possi-
bilities.

Ceylon, as is well known, is noted for
the gems mined from its bowels; but it is
not often that such a rich find has been
made as that reported from the Ratnapura
district recently, namely, a sapphire
weighing nearly 900 carats in the rough,
and which when cut down will probably
give a sapphire of 800 carats worth any-
thing from £5,000 to £10,000.

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tonn.	Gun.	H.P.	Commander.	Last report on
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1550	2	9000	Comdr. Archibald Cochrane	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	La-Comdr. R. S. Prichard	Shanghai
Britannia	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Capt. H. P. E. T. Williams	Shanghai
Cleopatra	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lieut. H. T. England	Mira Bay
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	800	—	Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Colne	torpedo boat destroyer	550	4	7500	Lieut. M. B. Rickett	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	5700	Lieut. U. M. Blackman	Hongkong
Hamphire	cruiser, 1st class	10,850	10	20,500	Capt. M. R. Hill	Canton
Jed	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lieut. G. F. A. Mulock	Hongkong
Kennet	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lieut. E. K. Bodden-Whetham	Hongkong
Kinab	river gunboat	418	4	1500	La-Comdr. H. D. Marryat	Yangtze
Merlin	sloop	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. C. Pass	Hongkong
Minstrel	cruiser, 1st class	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	La-Com. Alan Dixon	West River
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4800	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Shanghai
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Com. Malcolm Murray	Yangtze River
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Lieut. R. W. Wilkinson	Mira Bay
Rosario	depot ship, submarine	930	—	1400	Lieut. F. A. N. Cromie	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	25	2	240	La-Comdr. Nash	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	25	2	240	La-Com. L. A. S. Hutton	Mira Bay
Snipe	river gunboat	25	2	240	La-Comdr. Maurice R. Leslie	Yangtze River
Tamar	receiving ship	4550	—	—	Commodore R. H. Anstruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	La-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Upper Yangtze River
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	La-Com. H. R. N. Cottrell-Dorner	Canton
Triumph	halfship	11,985	18	12,500	Capt. P. Streetfield, M.V.O.	Hongkong
Uk	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	La-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong
Wallard	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	195	2	800	La-Com. J. C. F. Borrett	Upper Yangtze River
Woodcock	river gunboat	180	2	800	La-Com. M. Blackwood	Yangtze River
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	800	La-Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtze River
Yarmouth	light cruiser	6250	—	22,000	Capt. H. L. Cochrane	Hongkong
O.36	submarine	—	—	—	La-Comdr. F. J. McGillevie	Hongkong
O.37	submarine	—	—	—	La-Comdr. J. Gaines	Hongkong
O.38	submarine	—	—	—	La-Comdr. R. K. C. Pope	Hongkong
O.39	torpedo boat	—	—	—	La-Comdr. Handley	Hongkong
O.40	torpedo boat	—	—	—	La-Comdr. Barton	West River
O.41	torpedo boat	—	—	—	La-Comdr. Nicol	West River
O.42	torpedo boat	—	—	—	La-Comdr. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral T. H. M. Jernam, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tonn.	Gun.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report on
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Makovits	Foochow
Dupleix	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Davaud	Hongkong
Eclair	French armoured cruiser	9710	12	19,500	Capt. Gouin	Saigon
Montcalm	French flagship	9600	—	—	Capt. de Vaisseau	Saigon
Decade	French gunboat	845	10	1700	Lieut. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	125	7	500	Lieut. de Jervillier	Canton
Païho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongkw
Dondard de Legros	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutoit	Tahong-Kia
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Boissac	Saigon
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	—	Saigon
* Styr	French armoured gunboat	1736	10	1700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
Iderille	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Roussin	Saigon
Pistolat	French destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessac	Saigon
Mouquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	—	Saigon
Masche	French surveying ship	1625	10	9000	Comdr. Volain	Saigon

* Flagship of Capt. (Commodore) Boucicaut, Commanding the local defence force in China.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tonn.	Gun.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report on
Amber	German cruiser	3600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Reuter	Hongkong
Gundelmann	German armoured cruiser	11,600	26	26,000	Captain Brunnings	Tsingtao
Ilia	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. v. Gutten	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. Vanselow	Shanghai
Leipzig	German cruiser	3250	24	11,000	Capt. Behneke	Tsingtao
Luchs	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Boudemann	Tsingtao
Nürnberg	German cruiser	3400	22	13,500	Capt. Mühlberg	Tsingtao
Otter	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Fink	Yangtze River
Scharnhorst	German flagship	11,600	26	26,000	Capt. von Schultz	Tsingtao
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	8	6500	Capt. Lieut. Berenberg	Tsingtao
Taka	German torpedo-boat	230	4	6000	Obt. v. S. Claessen	Tsingtao
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Böcker	Tsingtao
Tingtau	German river gunboat	223	4	1300	Capt. von Möller	Canton
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	4	600	Obt. v. S. Prins	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	4145	—	—	Comdr. Sommi Piccardi	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1757	—	—	Capt. Anibal de S. Dias	Macao
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patric	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain José de Carvalho Ozato	Macao

UNITED STATES VESSELS ATTACHED TO ASIATIC STATION.

Name.	Class.	Tonn.	Gun.	H.P.	Commander.	Last report on
A. 3	U. S. submarine	—	—	—	Ensign C. McC. Murray	Cavite
A. 4	"	—	—	—	Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	Cavite
A. 5	"	—	—	—	Ensign J. C. Van de Carr	Cavite
A. 6	"	—	—	—	Ensign C. M. Yates	Cavite
A. 7	"	—	—	—	Capt. M. L. Bristol	Cavite
Albatross	U. S. protected cruiser	3430	10	7500	Ensign H. A. Jones	Cavite
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign W. L. Heiberg	Canton
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Cavite
Calico	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	Comdr. S. S. Robinson	Cavite
Chancey	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	Cavite
Cincinnati	U. S. protected cruiser	3183	11	10,000	Lieut. B. H. Green	Cavite
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	La-Comdr. S. Gannon	Shanghai
Decatur	U. S. gunboat	420	4	800	Comdr. G. R. Merrill	Shanghai
El Cano	U. S. gunboat	1392	5	1968	Lieut. R. V. Love	Cavite
Hatzen	U. S. station ship	1900	5	1100	La-Com. J. F. Svars	Olongapo
Mohlan	U. S. monitor	2900	6	3000	Commander J. V. Chase	Olongapo
Montezuma	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5277	Lieut. B. B. Taylor	Cavite
Pampanga	U. S. gunboat	243	8	—	Lieut. S. W. Wallace	Canton
Pinta	U. S. sea going tug	854	2	1600	Lieut. W. O. Wallace	Cavite
Pompey	U. S. repair ship	3085	—	—	Lieut. J. J. Hamilton	Shanghai
Quincy	U. S. gunboat	350	5	208	La-Comdr. D. W. Wurtzbaugh	Shanghai
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4390	14	1600	G. C. O. Dickson	Shanghai
Santa	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	Comdr. H. A. Wiley	Singapore
* Santiago	U. S. armoured cruiser	8115	14	17,401	Lieut. H. Durr	Singapore
Vincennes	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. J. F. Hubbard	Hongkong
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1597	5	1624	Chief Boatswain P. E. Hildall	Hongkong
Wasp	U. S. tug	422	—	850	—	Hongkong

* U.S.S. Santiago Flagship of Rear-Admiral R. F. Wainwright, Commander-in-Chief, United States Asiatic Fleet, (apparently)

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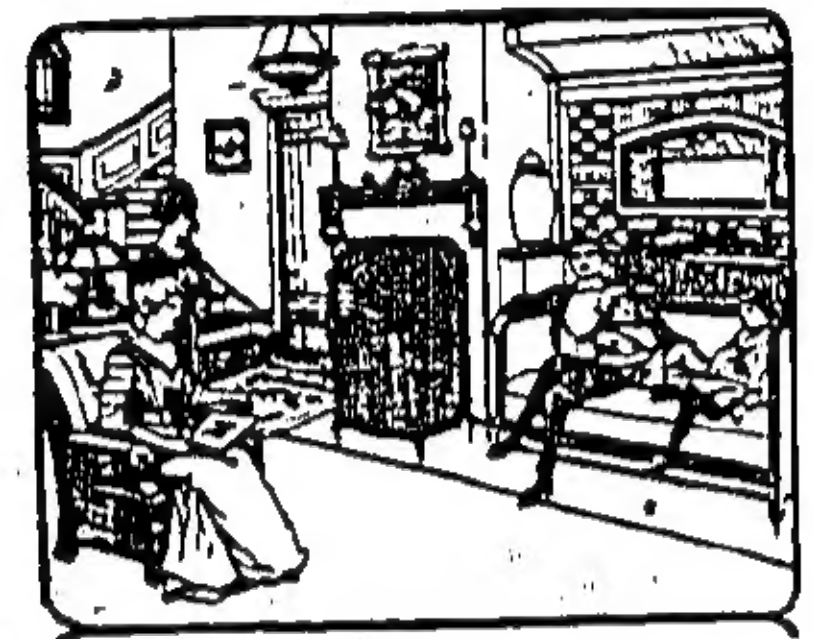
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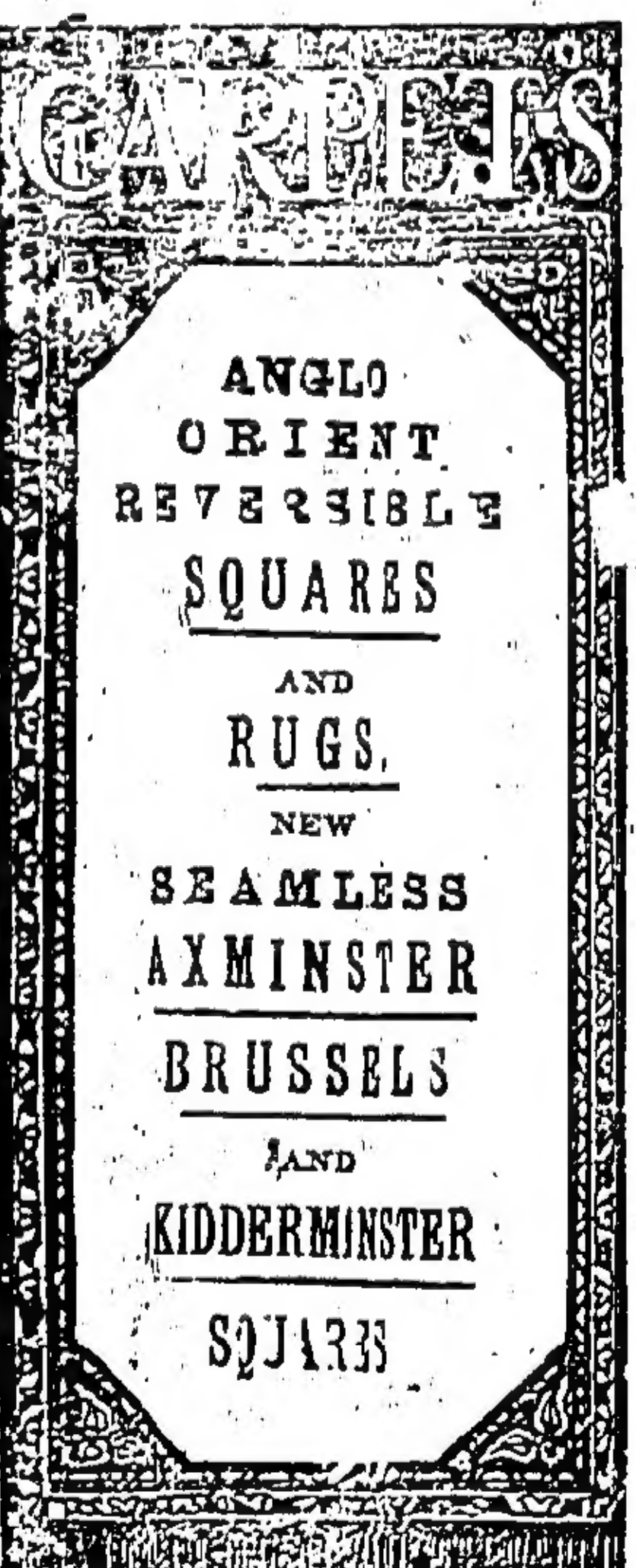
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Hongkong, July 23, 1913.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The coronation of the Emperor of Japan has been fixed for November 12. Sacrifices to his Imperial ancestors will be offered on November 12.

The police raided No. 5, Kwong Yuen Street, yesterday and seized 49 boxes of white singlets under the Merchandise Marks Ordinance.

An account of the International "Rugger" Match Ireland v. France, played on New Year's Day in Paris, will be found on page 4.

The Hongkong Horticultural Society, advertising a giant acropole which was constructed some time ago to carry 11 persons, has successfully tested an aeroplane half its size again.

Admiral Sir, Director-General of the Land and Water Police of Shanghai and Woonung, has asked the Government to send another 300 Northern police to Shanghai.

The St. Petersburg almanak Sikorsky, the designer of a giant aeroplane which was constructed some time ago to carry 11 persons, has successfully tested an aeroplane half its size again.

A Chinese who tried to save two cents by using upon a receipt two revenue stamps which had already been cancelled was fined \$50 at the Magistrate's Court yesterday. Sgt. Watt prosecuted.

A salesman of 93, Wing Lok Street has reported to the police that while working in the vicinity of Bonham Street yesterday evening he lost \$497 in bank notes from his pocket.

The "Peking Daily News" states that the resignation of the Premier, Hsiao Hing, of the office of Minister of Finance is possible, but it denies that he will also resign the Premiership.

Suffering from a wound on his chest which is alleged to have been inflicted by a man in the custody of the police, a Chinese, aged 42, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday.

Sergeant Newland, of the Royal Engineers, Wellington Barracks, has reported to the police the loss of \$40 from the mess table, which was opened yesterday by somebody with a duplicate key.

Detective Sgt. Clark executed a search warrant yesterday at 8, Queen Victoria Street, and made a further seizure of 300 tins of margarine which is part of a large quantity stolen from Kowloon premises recently.

It is stated that the Exchange Bank and Insurance Office will be closed for the transaction of public business on Monday and Tuesday, 29th and 30th instant. An additional train will leave Kowloon at 8.35 a.m. for the Fanling Golf Links on both days.

During discussion of the penalty clauses of the opium bill, yesterday, in the Legislative Council, the Attorney General created a ripple of mirth by stating, in order to press home a point, "I was summoned myself once for fishing without a license as the magistrate fined me one penny."

Francisco Valdez, third mate of the s.s. Rio Pasig, which is in the harbour, charged a riksha coolie at the Police Court this morning with stealing \$7 from his pocket. The officer took some coins from his pocket to pay his fare and the \$7 in notes stuck in the mouth of his pocket. They were attracted by the coolie while the officer's attention was directed elsewhere; but the complainant saw him transfer them to his pocket. The coolie refused to return the money and was arrested. The coolie told the magistrate that the notes fell on the ground and he picked them up. He was sentenced to a month's imprisonment with four hours' work.

THE CARLTON HOTEL.

A First Class Establishment.

A representative of the "China Mail" was recently shown round the spacious premises of the Carlton Hotel and found them cozy and comfortable, while there were many evidences that the wishes and conveniences of the guests were studied in every respect. Both the hotel and the annex have recently been thoroughly redecorated throughout and many important improvements effected. The annex is now devoted to the accommodation of new boarders. Residents have the advantage of a very good library, for the use of which no charge is made, and the public rooms—which include a ladies' room—in common with the other parts of the hotel, are light, airy and well furnished, a considerable sum having been recently spent in the latter direction. Every floor has its own suite of tiled bathrooms, of which there are twenty, seven to some fifty rooms; many rooms have their own private bathroom and lavatory attached.

CURE THAT COUGH.

WHEN you have a troublesome cough it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are threatened, and it is just as well to be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SOMETHING TO REMEMBER.

IN buying a cough medicine for children, bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best for colds, croup and whooping cough, and that it contains no harmful drugs. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE CHUNG SAU NAM CASE.

The hearing of the proceedings on the writ of habeas corpus issued to the Captain Superintendent of Police to deliver up the body of Chung Sau Nam was continued before their Honours the Chief Justice (Sir William Reeves-Davies) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) in the Full Court this morning.

Sir Francis Pigott and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. W. B. Hind (from Mr. Brutton's office) appeared on the writ of habeas corpus, and the Crown was represented by Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, who were instructed by Mr. P. M. Hodgson (Assistant Crown Solicitor) and Mr. R. F. C. Master (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master).

Sir Francis Pigott, continued his address, referred to the Li Yu Kui extradition proceedings reported in the Hongkong Law Reports. The argument therein, he said, was that directly a defendant tendered evidence it became a case of evidence one way and evidence the other which the Court must inevitably review. Therefore, he thought from the extreme doubt which had existed for some time as to whether a prisoner could even give evidence in his defence must show some discretion under the Prisoners' Evidence Ordinance must be exercised with extreme caution.

The Chief Justice—I don't think there can be any question that the fact of a fugitive not going into the witness box should weigh with the magistrate. The onus is upon the Crown to establish the case.

Sir Francis Pigott—Further than that the onus is upon the Crown to establish the commission of the crime in China.

The Puisne Judge—Did not the magistrate say in effect, "I am against you now, not having heard you. I may be with you after having heard you."

Sir Francis Pigott—In certain cases the magistrate especially emphasises the fact that a prisoner has not given explanations. There is no doubt he himself said that he was applying to this extradition case his usual practice, which I contend is wrong altogether. Counsel then referred their Lordships to the Book on Extradition.

The Puisne Judge—When he understood the prisoner was going to give evidence the magistrate administered the caution to him?

Sir Francis Pigott—That was at the end of the whole case, after I had called evidence. But the whole tendency is, I submit, from my recollection of the case which is borne out by references to the judgment, that he was trying to apply his usual practice to get the prisoner to give evidence.

The Puisne Judge—The usual practice of a magistrate is not to get a prisoner to give evidence. Sir Francis Pigott—No, my Lord, but he said it was. Then he said, "more especially when there is counsel present," so what he does when there is no counsel present I cannot imagine. So what it comes to is this: the old idea of justice administered under a Banyan tree is not according to English practice, and quite contrary to English notions.

Proceeding, Counsel said he thought it would be a convenient point to put the bare facts before the Court, which their Lordships were not perfectly familiar with. This was necessary in order to emphasize the argument which he put forward that the Crown was bound to show that the facts were within a decided decision of the criminal law. He submitted that the burden was on the Crown to show that this was not a doubtful case at all, but that it came within a decided decision. If it did not, and the case was complicated, even in Hongkong it would come up on appeal to know whether or not these facts constituted a felony or an offence by English law. With their Lordships' permission he learned friend Mr. Alabaster would deal with the Common Law side of the question, but it was necessary for Sir Francis' argument that he should put the facts shortly before the Court.

The Puisne Judge asked if the magistrate was to say, the case being additional one, that he would not make up his mind one way or the other, and would discharge the prisoner.

Sir Francis Pigott thought so. He wished their Lordships to realise the full extent of his argument, because he did not finish from it in the least. The Crown said this was a simple case of larceny. As Mr. Slade put it, "It was a case of a man taking possession of money which was not his." Counsel's limited that which did not satisfy the requirements of the law of extradition, and when he quoted two leading cases their Lordships would see that the Court took infinite care to find out whether it was a case within the English law or not.

The Puisne Judge—Was the question of these facts coming within English criminal law argued at the trial?

Sir Francis Pigott said it was argued that this was a simple case of larceny. The law required a case of larceny to be shown, and an essential condition of the law of extradition was that an extradition crime must be proved.

Counsel then proceeded to outline the facts of the case, and the hearing was again adjourned.

INTERESTING LEGAL POINT.

Appearing for the defence of a Chinese who was summoned before Mr. Wood of the Magistrate's Court for failing to properly obliterate receipt stamps, Mr. Lewis, solicitor, made an important submission.

Mr. Lewis argued that the stamps had been properly cancelled, and further advanced the point that if the stamps were affixed to the receipt form at the time the money was paid, by the person who received it, it did not matter in law whether the stamps were cancelled or not.

His Worship adjourned this and several similar cases for consideration of Mr. Lewis's submission.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

(Continued from yesterday's "China Mail.")

A GOVERNMENT GRANT FOR MEDICINE.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary read the following despatch from the Secretary of State, dated November 25, 1913: "I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of despatch 370 of the 23rd ultimo and to express my appreciation of the vote of £150 by the Legislative Council of Hongkong to the London School of Tropical Medicine. The Crown Agents for the Colonies have been instructed to pay over the amount for this school."

COMMITTEES.

The following standing committees were appointed:—Finance Committee.—All Council members excepting His Excellency the Governor.

Public Works Committee.—The Director of Public Works, the Colonial Treasurer, Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett and Hon. Mr. Shullim.

Law Committee.—The Attorney-General, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, Hon. Mr. D. Landale and Sir Kai Ho Kai.

OPIMUM AND THE PHARMACY LAWS.

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 9 of 1910 as incorporated in the Pharmacy Ordinance 1908 was introduced by the Hon. Attorney-General and read a first time. The new measure deals exclusively with morphine and compounds of opium by including such substances within the ambit of the pharmacy laws.

THE OPIMUM LAWS.

The Hon. Attorney-General moved the second reading of a Bill to amend and consolidate the laws relating to opium. The objects and reasons set out in it are the outcome of the change which will ensue in consequence of the decision of the Government to take over the business of the opium farm, hitherto leased out to private individuals.

The mover outlined the scope of the Bill in general, and then dealt with its clauses in detail. In the course of his analysis he said that the fundamental reason for its introduction was the decision of the Government to take over the opium monopoly. In some cases the penalties for technical offences against the opium laws had been slightly decreased, and some penalties for willful breaches had been slightly increased. The third part of the Bill dealt with the administration of the Ordinance, including the appointment of the necessary officers, their position towards the public and the penal provisions of the law which were necessary in order to ensure its effective work. The Bill did not come into operation until March 1st, 1914, which was the time when the present farm license expired. Coming to another part, he said it would be possible by secret process to determine, if any of this substance were found in the possession of anyone in the colony, whether it was or was not of Government origin. He understood that it was not proposed to complete the Bill that day but to put it forward as far as they could in Committee.

The Council considered the provisions of the Bill in committee. During the discussion the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock pointed out that no clause had been inserted to make legal the transshipments in Hongkong of opium destined for other ports, such as Formosa ports to which the Japanese Government shipped a large quantity of opium for medicinal purposes. The clauses affecting such transshipment were allowed to stand over for re-drafting or amendment.

Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai called attention to the fact that the existing Ordinance only allowed a person to have in his possession five taels of prepared opium, the reason for this limitation being to prevent smuggling into places where prepared opium was excluded from entry. The five taels was raised to twenty in this Bill, which he did not think was an improvement. Unless the Government had very cogent reasons for raising the allowance it should be limited to five taels as formerly.

His Excellency the Governor: You are quite right. It was an error, and we are going to alter it and bring it down to five taels.

The Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai thought clause 45, giving authority to any European revenue officer to search without warrant any house shop or premises if he had reason to believe that there was any opium concealed therein for forfeiture, was too widely drawn, and was liable to be abused.

The Hon. Mr. Hewett considered that as there seemed to be some fear of this on the part of the Chinese community the clause might be held over.

This suggestion was adopted.

The Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai was of opinion that exception should be made, in framing the clauses imposing penalties for shortage of stock, in the case of persons whose opium was taken away or stolen without their knowledge.

H. E. the Governor pointed out that opium was a very valuable commodity, and the temptation towards illicit dealing was greater now than ever it was. The Government was bound both by its obligations to a friendly power and in its own interest to make the law strict on this point. Otherwise unprincipled people would take advantage of it.

Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai said if it was intended to have a Government depot for opium.

His Excellency said he could not say at present.

Previous to the Council going into committee on the Bill Hon. Mr. Hewett asked why clause 62 had been deleted from the Bill. The clause provided that after expenditure on the purchase of raw opium and charges incidental to the carrying

ARMED ROBBERY AT Y.

A daring raid was carried out by four armed robbers at a Chinese house in Reclamation Street, Yumati, last night.

A 0'clock four men armed with knives called at No. 417 and under the pretext that they were collecting rent on the landlord's behalf gained admittance to the house. Once inside they threatened the inmates, who were principally women, and after collecting about \$50 worth of jewellery, a suit of clothes and \$60 in money they left the premises and got clear away. No arrest has been made up to the present, but the police are making searching inquiries.

out of the Ordinance, etc., should be deducted from the proceeds of the sale of prepared opium and the percentage on account of the Defence Contribution struck on the balance.

The Hon. Attorney-General replied that the matter had to be referred to the Home authorities, and the exact form which the clause would take was not yet known.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock, in committee, objected to the deletion of the clause. In October last, he said, when the Bill relating to revenue was circulated, there was also circulated a White Book containing estimates of revenue and expenditure for the year 1914. In that White Book there was clearly shown a deduction made on account of the expenses of the opium monopoly of \$221,000 (he thought the figure was slightly corrected afterwards in Council by the Officer Administering the Government. The deduction was to be made for the purpose of the Defence Contribution and there was a reference in a marginal note at the foot of the page as to the gross receipts of the farm for January and February, and then the Government monopoly for two months. The total was roughly \$2,500,000 and the net receipts from the farm were shown as being \$1,621,240. That was circulated in the Hon. Members clearly showing a deduction, in assessing the opium revenue for military contribution, of certain expenses which were then set out amounting to between \$900,000 and \$1,000,000. The Revenue Bill passed on the understanding that those deductions would be allowed. It appeared, as a matter of fact, from the Budget speech, that the amount to be deducted for the expenses in connection with the opium farm was not \$921,000 but \$908,000 odd—about a million dollars in round figures. Notwithstanding that deduction, there was an increase in the defence contribution of \$255,194, but if this further sum, amounting roughly to a million dollars, was to be deducted, it would mean that towards the military contribution, and beyond the sum passed at the meeting of the Council. He hoped very much that the Hon. Member would agree with him when he said that it was quite wrong that they should have to pay for military contribution, with that expenditure in connection with the opium farm. Under the old arrangement, under which the opium farm ran the preparing of opium, the colony did not have to pay anything at all out of the revenue in connection with the purchasing or preparing of opium, and the revenue from the opium farm for the year was a clean and clear profit to the colony. It seemed to him that it was only fair, adopting a similar principle, that they should be allowed to deduct for the purposes of the military contribution the amount which had to be used and expended by the Government in connection with the farm. "Why, sir," continued the Hon. Member, "this very Opium Bill in which this clause 62 appears, follows out what was passed by this Council when they passed the Revenue Bill containing the Budget for 1914."

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BY TELEGRAPH.

SHANGHAI LADY BRUTALLY MURDERED.

\$35,000 AND JEWELLERY MISSING.

(From Our Shanghai Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 23.
Mrs. Neumann, the wife of a well-known German butcher, was found murdered in her bedroom early this morning.

There was evidence of a fierce struggle. The unfortunate woman's head had been almost cut off and the body was terribly hacked. Jewellery and money, said to amount to the value of \$35,000 are missing. Mr. Neumann had been in the hospital for some days and there were only servants in the house. They declare they heard no noise. Two natives were on the premises and made no sound.

THE BLACKMAIL CASE.

Further Particulars.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent telegraphs that at the Richter trial quotations were read from the stolen correspondence.

One quotation from a letter sent by the head office at Berlin to the Tokyo branch in 1911 says:—"It was really criminal to conclude a commission agreement with Admiral Fujii in London when our old agreement with Admiral Iwasaki still exists, working faultlessly. Why then arrange with Admiral Fujii for 5 per cent. on the ship to be built in England and 24 per cent. on all other orders for the Japanese Navy?"

The other quotation is from a letter sent by the Tokyo branch in reference to the fact that Captain Ide, then a member of the Naval Commission in London, had been criticising Siemens' prices. It depreciates any considerable reduction and says that the orders are all given in Tokyo, and recent orders had shown the firm's friends in the Ministry of Marine to be working reliably. "If Captain Ide continues to annoy us, he must go. It will not be hard to manage it." The letter mentioned that another Japanese official had a mission to find out what members of the Commission were not working for the firm and according to the firm's wishes. "Our friends here will see that they are removed or readjusted."

THE PANAMA CANAL.

Thirty Feet of Water in Culebra Cut.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

A telegram from Panama states that it is announced that there are now 30 feet of water in the Culebra Cut, which is the only part of the Canal yet to be completed. A large ocean steamer could traverse it now, and it is intended to send a Panama railroad steamer through, probably in April.

POPULAR AUSTRALIAN LOAN.

LONDON, Jan. 22.
There were 4546 applications for the State of Victoria 4½ per cent loan.

THE RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND JAPAN.

Japan's Expanding Trade.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo telegraphs that the Diet reassembled yesterday.

The Foreign Minister referred to the relations between China and Japan and said a peaceful settlement of the crisis which arose on account of the killing of three Japanese subjects at Nanking was largely due to the Anglo-Japanese Alliance. He dwelt upon the remarkable growth of Japan's trade with China and the increase of Japanese residents in China.

QUEEN VICTORIA MEMORIAL.

The Scheme Completed.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Lord Esher, the Chairman of the Queen Victoria Memorial Special Committee, has reported to the King completion of the Memorial. His Majesty replied expressing his gratification at the accomplishment of the scheme and the generous support given it throughout the Dominion.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH POLITICS.

IMPORTANT CABINET MEETING.

LONDON, Jan. 23.

An important Cabinet meeting has been held. All the members were present, and the proceedings lasted two hours. Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Churchill left together and walked up Whitehall.

A Deficit Predicted.

The "Daily Chronicle" states that the expenditure for the current year has exceeded the estimates by £5,000,000 which, with the normal increase for 1914-15, will make £8,000,000, which Mr. Lloyd George will have to find. For the first time, Mr. Lloyd George will be faced with a deficit in his budget.

No Naval Crisis.

The Daily News and Leader states that there is no "naval crisis" in the Cabinet, which is essentially agreed upon a policy of economy.

Admiralty's Dual Disregard for Money.

The Daily Chronicle says that Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Churchill conferred yesterday on the subject of the naval stories and their personal differences, which are idle tales; though certainly, adds the Chronicle, Mr. Churchill has been spending at the Admiralty with a "dual disregard for money."

SUBMARINE A 7.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Oil floating on the sea led to the discovery of the submarine.

Lord Michelham, in a letter to the Lord Mayor, suggests the starting of a permanent national fund on behalf of the dependants of victims of submarine disasters.

Further Details.

Divers found the submarine lying at an angle of forty-five degrees with her bows up and her stern buried deeply in the mud, which will further increase the difficulty of lifting.

Raising Difficulties Immense.

"It is officially announced that the submarine was found at a depth of 23 fathoms at low tide.

The difficulties of raising her are immense owing to the weight on the hawsers, and to the divers' inability to work efficiently at so great a depth.

A Wonderful Aeroplane Flight.

Commander Saddon's flight, with a mechanic, of 230 miles was a wonderful performance; travelling at the rate of sixty miles an hour.

ILLNESS OF VISCOUNT WOLMER.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Viscount Wolmer has been operated on for appendicitis.

SAFETY AT SEA.

Recommendations by the Conference.

LONDON, Jan. 21.

The Conference on Safety at Sea also recommends the establishment of an International service for the purpose of ice observation, and the destruction of derelicts in the North Atlantic, under the control of the United States. It further recommends that all masters shall report dangerous ice and derelicts; also the adoption of the International signal code. It further recommends a number of construction rules regarding bulkheads and double bottoms, and a periodical survey of vessels, etc. For this purpose, all vessels are to be divided into two classes, the new and existing, the latter to be exempted from the rules according to the discretion of the authorities in the countries concerned.

Other recommendations are that all vessels with fifty or more on board must carry a wireless installation which must be continuously worked on fast passenger steamers, and those vessels voyaging over five hundred miles from port to port, and seven hours a day for others.

STRAIGHT AT IT.

"HERE is no use of our 'beating around the bush.' We might as well cut with it first as last. We want you to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the next time you have a cough or cold. There is no reason so far as we can see why you should not do so. This preparation by its remarkable cures has raised a world wide reputation, and people everywhere speak of it in the highest terms of praise. It is sold by all Chemists and Storekeepers."

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THE CHINESE-TIBET CONFERENCE.

INTRICATE QUESTIONS BEING CONSIDERED.

A telegram from Delhi states that the Chinese-Tibet Conference is making steady progress.

The intricate questions being considered are inviting much discussion in detail; and it is impossible to say whether the business will be likely to end at Delhi or whether the Plenipotentiaries will proceed to Simla again in April.

CANADA'S FOOD TAXES.

No Alteration Meantime.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

A telegram from Ottawa states that the Minister of Finance has emphatically refused to remove the duty on food stuffs, affirming that the present time is unpropitious for a downward revision of tariff. He does not believe that duty-free food would reduce the cost of living, while it would affect industries employing 52,000 persons, and having an annual output of \$25,000,000.

THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

Ulster's Last Resort.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Mr. Austin Chamberlain, speaking at Southampton, said no Colonial statesman would recommend such a solution as the proposed Home Rule Bill. Such cowardly surrender was unparalleled in history. Ulster in the last resort would save herself by her own right arm.

APPEAL IN THE KRUPP CASE.

The Sentences Reduced.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

A telegram from Berlin states that the Appeal Court has reduced the sentences on the officers in the Krupp case, convicted last August, and acquitted two.

THE LATE LORD STRATHCONA.

Canadian Parliament Adjourns.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

The Canadian Parliament has adjourned as a token of respect to the late Lord Strathcona.

Mr. Borden, the Premier and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the opposition, paid eloquent tributes to his great qualities. Mr. Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Mr. Austin Chamberlain in speeches last night paid tributes to the life work of Lord Strathcona.

Imperial Parliament's Sympathy.

Mr. Harcourt cabled to the Duke of Connaught conveying the Imperial Parliament's sympathy with Canada in the loss of Lord Strathcona.

THE SOUTH SEAS ERUPTIONS.

Ten Mountains Adame.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

A telegram from Sydney states that a description of the volcanic eruptions at Ambray, given by Mr. Dowie, a missionary, says that one by one the mountains burst into flame till ten were emitting molten lava. The 2,500 natives did not panic, and most were conveyed to safety. About 100 perished, some in streams of lava, while others were drowned or boiled in the sea.

THE NEXT ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Sir Ernest Shackleton has invited Sir Daniel Gooch to accompany him to the Antarctic.

Sir Daniel is the son of the late Chairman of the Great Western Railway, and M.P. for Cricklade.

CROUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to croup. Don't wait until this dreadful disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when chemists' shops are usually closed, and this alone should be a warning. Get and keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE AUSTRALIAN NAVY.

FIRST SUBMARINE READY.

LONDON, Jan. 23.

The first submarine for the Australian Navy has arrived at Portsmouth from the builders. She will carry a crew of thirty who will begin a course of instruction. The sister ship will be ready in a few weeks, when both will leave for Australia.

LABOUR TROUBLES IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Jan. 23.

The coal strike is spreading into a "sympathetic strike" and 70,000 general carmen threaten to strike tomorrow. The masters, it is affirmed, are prepared to arbitrate.

REDUCTION OF EUROPEAN BANK RATES.

LONDON, Jan. 23.

The Bank of England announce that the rate of discount has been reduced to four per cent. The German bank rate of discount has been reduced to 4½ per cent. The Belgian, Swedish and Danish bank rates have also been reduced.

THE NEW COMMANDER OF H.M.S. "BRAMBLE."

LONDON, Jan. 22.

Lieutenant Brandon, one of the officers sentenced some time ago to imprisonment in a fortress for espionage in Germany, has been appointed to command the destroyer Bramble on the China Station.

TRADE MARKS INFRINGED.

Chinese Firms Apologise.

Three Chinese firms, the Kwong Yat On shop, No. 4 Kwong Yuen Street, the Wing Shiu Wo, No. 3 Kwong Yuen Street and the Kwong Tung Tai, No. 198 Wellington Street, were summoned at the Magistrate's court yesterday for infringing under the Merchandise Marks Act the registered trade mark of Messrs W. R. Loxley and Co. relating to a brand of cotton singlets. Sergeant Willis visited the premises of the three firms in question on January 9 and seized thirty-eight boxes of singlets bearing the imitated trade mark.

Neither of the defendant firms was represented this afternoon but Mr. H. L. Denys Jr. (of Messrs. Denys and Bowley) on behalf of the complainants said they did not wish to press the case. The defendant firms had given the prosecution every information in their power and had informed them of the source from which the singlets were obtained. Defendants had also admitted that they were guilty of a gross infringement of Messrs. Loxley's trade mark and had consented to the forfeiture of the singlets. At the same time they agreed to insert a public apology in the newspapers and to give Messrs. Loxley an apology in writing.

Upon these terms Mr. Hazleard consented to the withdrawal of the summonses.

PIRATES SHOT.

Sixteen Ruffians Dispatched at Canton.

The Canton Delta at the present time is swarming with soldiers who are busily engaged in hunting out the numerous pirate bands which infest the delta. Chinese ships above Canton still carry an armed militia guard, and every train has its detachment of soldiers with loaded rifles and filled bandoliers. Despite these precautions there are numerous outrages both on land and water. Sixteen ruffians captured a few days ago up river were shot yesterday on the execution ground at Canton, about fifty rounds being required to dispatch them. A Chinese passenger boat was held up a few days ago at Samliang and twenty persons are being held to ransom.

H. M. S. destroyers Chelmer and Ribble returned from Miss Bay yesterday.

H. M. S. Doris, with relief crews for gunboats for the China Station, left England on January 20. A relief crew for H. M. S. Yarmouth will be taken to Colombo by the Edipos in March and the Yarmouth will recommission there.

Giving evidence against an old Chinese who was charged in Mr. Hazleard's court this morning with larceny, and with returning from banishment, Inspector Dymond said defendant was "an old bird" and had been banished four times; his last term was for twenty years. Each time defendant returned to the Colony he committed a larceny. Sentence of twelve months' hard labour was passed.

SPORTING.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Royal Artillery Cup.

8th Coy., R.G.A. v. 83rd Coy., R.G.A.
Both these teams being in the running for the cup, a large crowd assembled at Stonecutters Island yesterday, a special launch being run from Lyemum for the 83rd Coy., R.G.A. supporters. Teams:—8th Coy., R.G.A.—Marsh; Dougherty; McCabbin; Murphy; Westbrook; Delaney; Harper; Cartwright; Shakespeare; Martin; Dallman.

83rd Coy., R.G.A.—Gerrard; Langham; Langford; Stevenson; Mullin; Perry; Martie; Davidson; Crane; Pinchard; Philpin.

Referee, Mr. F. W. Eager.
The 87th Company won the toss and soon began to try Garrod with shots from all angles. Martin and Dallman were smart on the right but for a time the visiting backs were able to keep their lines clear. The Lyemum right wing was weak and in most of the attacks let their team down. Crane and Pinchard were keen, and were well looked after. A goal was not long in coming, Martin catching the Lyemum backs in a weak moment and scoring. Mullin worked like a Trojan to get his team in the attacking zone and Perry also did well. Davidson received a nasty kick on the head that caused his retirement for a time. This resulted the 87th Company, who until the interval had nearly all the game. Half time score:—8th Coy., R.G.A., 1; 83rd Coy., R.G.A., 0.

On resuming the Stonecutters men kept up the pace but Langford and Mullin defended well, and helped their own forwards to get on the move. The visitors had more of the game, but Dougherty was in sparkling form at back for the 87th. Play was nearing the end when Harper scored a fine goal. The 87th were the better team and deserved the win. Result:—87th Company, R.G.A., 2; 83rd Company, R.G.A., 0.

Chess.

INTER-CLUB CHALLENGE SHIELD.

This competition will commence on Thursday, 20th instant, at 5.15 p.m., at the City Hall Library, when the following matches will take place:—Club Lusitane v. European Y.M.C.A. Army v. Hongkong Chess Club.

The conditions are as follows:—Each team to consist of five men; each man to play two games in a match; each team to meet every other team once; points to be awarded, one for win and half for a draw. In the event of a tie in points between two teams, an extra match will be played to decide the winner.

"CHINA OUTLOOK" CASE.

The Judgment.

In this case, it will be remembered, plaintiff claims \$1,000, being amount due for goods supplied and work done, and there is a counter-claim by the defendant for \$1,007 for plaintiff's wrongful refusal and neglect to print the paper.

Mr. Norington (from the office of Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton) appeared for the plaintiff, and defendant was represented by Mr. M. Reader Harris (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist).

His Lordship said: The first issue in this case is as to the time when payment of the printing bills became due. The plaintiff's witnesses put this date on the 1st of the succeeding month. But all the bills sent in by the plaintiff that have been produced are dated the 9th of the succeeding month. It is inconceivable that a business like the plaintiff's which was on a very small scale, and carried on so to speak from hand to mouth, should not have even prepared its bills until nine days after the money became due. The money was needed as early in each month as possible in order to pay the printing staff. Now is it possible to accept the suggestion that payment was due on the 15th of the succeeding month. I prefer to accept the story of the defendant that payment was to be made in the course of the succeeding month, that is to say, that it was not overdue until the 1st of the month after. The plaintiff's contention is not supported by the proved facts. Again, I am compelled to accept the account of the plaintiff, and not of the defendant, as to the manner in which the contract was arranged. It is hardly credible that a man of the defendant's intelligence should have concluded such an important matter entirely through the medium of a mere subordinate. I accept his evidence as to the effect that the contract was really made by direct treaty between himself and the defendant. This carries with it the acceptance of the defendant's story on other details of the case. Then comes the question of the type: Was it a loan or a sale? Accepting as I do the defendant's statement that he sent the invoice to the plaintiff, I accept also his description of the transaction as a sale in the first instance, and his explanation as to the letter of the 18th June, 1912. It is admitted that at the interview at the solicitor's office he claimed \$250 as the price of the type. This disposes of the plaintiff's claim, and there must be judgment for defendant with costs on the claim.

As I find that the defendant (in the counter-claim) was not justified in refusing to print the "China Outlook," I give judgment for the plaintiff on the counter-claim with costs, the damages to be assessed by the Registrar on the basis that plaintiff is to recover any loss he was actually put to, by the breach of contract by the defendant. I find that the plaintiff to the counter-claim used due diligence, and made the fresh printing contract within a reasonable time.

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